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The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 500471 in the amount of \$980.00 to cover the Extension of Time Fee as set for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

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